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In re application of : Anthony M. Chiu
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For : SURFACE MOUNT PACKAGE FOR LINEAR ARRAY
SENSORS
Group No. : 2811
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Sir:

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

In response to the Restriction Requirement mailed November 29, 2001, Applicants provisionally elect the claims of Group II, claims 1-7, WITH TRAVERSE.

The Restriction Requirement asserts that the method and device claims are distinct based on the contention that the device claims may be manufactured by a materially different process. Specifically, the Office Action asserts that the integrated circuit devices may be packaged after being mounted on the circuit board.

Applicants gratefully acknowledge that the integrated circuits formed according to the

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present invention might, at least theoretically, be packaged after being mounted on the circuit board. A Preliminary Amendment to the claims is being concurrently filed to eliminate the implication that packaging is required before mounted. Accordingly, the basis for the restriction requirement has been obviated.

If any issue arises, or if the Examiner has any suggestions for expediting allowance of this application, the Applicant respectfully invites the Examiner to contact the undersigned at the telephone number indicated below or at *dvenglarik@novakov.com*.

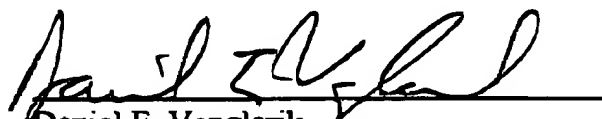
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